

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1776
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Railway Line from Yamunanagar to Chandigarh
Kataria Shri Rattan Lal

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has approved a railway line from Yamunanagar to Chandigarh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the estimated cost of this project;
- (c) whether the Railways has made a provision of Rs. 25 crore for the said project in the year 2016-17;
- (d) if so, whether the Railways and the State Government have consented about the sharing of expenditure of this scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the above project is likely to be started?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

- (a) & (b): Yamunanagar to Chandigarh New Line (91 km) project has been included in Railway Budget 2013-14 subject to necessary approvals and requisite government clearances at a cost of 876 Crores.
- (c) Yes, Madam. An allocation of 25 Crores has been made in the current financial year therefor.
- (d) Yes, Madam. The State Government of Haryana has agreed to share 50% of the total cost of the project. The erstwhile Planning Commission was approached for "in principle approval" for this project on socio-economic consideration. However, Planning Commission required State Government to provide land free of cost in addition to sharing 50% of the construction cost. The proposal could not be taken forward as State Government did not respond to Ministry of Railways' subsequent request to give land free in addition to 50% cost sharing.
- (e) Since the project is not approved, it is not possible to fix timelines for its commencement.
